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FOR BLAIR THOMPSON AND JIM ROBB, BEWT

E.O. 11652: N/A

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SUBJ: TWELFTH AND FINAL PROGRESS REPORT -- BUDAPEST SPRING FAIR

1. ALL ACTIVITIES SCHEDULED FOR COMPLETION WEEK ENDING MAY 14 HAVE BEEN ACCOMPLISHED. ALL PREPARATIONS FOR SUBJECT EVENT HAVE EITHER BEEN PERFORMED OR ARE IN FINAL STAGES OF BEING CONCLUDED. THUS, AT FOUR DAYS PRIOR TO OPENING ALL ON-GOING ACTIVITIES ARE ON TRACK, AND WE FORESEE NO PROBLEMS.

2. ON-SITE OFFICES WILL BE TOTALLY OPERABLE BEGINNING MAY 17, AND EXHIBITION STAFF CAN BE REACHED THERE AT THE FOLLOWING NUMBERS:
GENERAL OFFICE -- 643071
ROBERT CULVER -- 643 256
OLEG JERSCHKOWSKY -- 284 234

3. FOR FIRST TIME IN HISTORY OF BEWT COMMERCIAL FAIR PROGRAM IN BUDAPEST, OFFICIAL HUNGARIAN GOVERNMENT DELEGATION WILL VISIT U.S. STAND DURING OPENING DAY CEREMONIES. CHARGE D'AFFAIRS, ROBERT C. MUDD, WILL RECEIVE GOH DELEGATION.

4. BASIC CONSTRUCTION COMPLETED. ONLY FINISHING WORK REMAINS, AND LAST MINUTE HOOK-UP OF EQUIPMENT.

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5. ESTIMATE THAT OVER 75 PERCENT OF FREIGHT HAS BEEN RECEIVED.

6. EFFORTS TO FIRM UP GROUP VISITS OF KEY PROSPECTS CONTINUES, BUT NUMBER ACTUALLY SCHEDULED AT THIS TIME IS ONLY THREE. THESE EFFORTS HAMPARED BY EXTREEM DIFFICULTY IN CONTACTING KEY INDIVIDUALS. WE WILL PURSUE THIS ACTIVITY RIGHT UP TO MAY 26, WHICH IS LAST DAY OF SO-CALLED TRADE DAYS -- TIME SET ASIDE FOR BUSINESS VISITS.

7. AS BEFITTING FINAL PROGRESS REPORT, DUSEX WISHES TO COMMEND COMMERCE EXHIBIT TEAM'S EXCELLENT EFFORT, ESPECIALLY WASHINGTON BACK-UP SUPPORT OF PROJECT OFFICER ROBB, AND NEW YORK TRANSPORTATION OFFICE. WE ALSO WISH TO ACKNOWLEDGE EXCELLENT SUPPORT OF EMBASSY PERSONNEL, WHO HAVE COOPERATED SPLENDIDLY THROUGHOUT OUR STAY AT BUDAPEST.

8. REQUEST BEWT CABLE CULVER'S TRAVEL ORDERS FOR INCHEBA '76 STINT ASAP. DUSEX HOPES TO DEPART BUDAPEST ON OR ABOUT JUNE 11. MUDD

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